FIREFIGHTER

(Competitive Class)

GENERAL STATEMENT OF DUTIES

The class of Firefighter comprises entrance level positions in the fire suppression division of fire department operation. Employees of this class receive training for and after training perform tasks such as controlling and extinguishing fires, performing rescue and salvage work, and maintaining fire department equipment, buildings, and grounds. Employees of this class work under the direct orders of and are supervised by the company commander (in the class of Fire Captain or Fire Lieutenant). This class ranks directly below that of Fire Equipment Operator.

EXAMPLES OF WORK

Examples listed below are illustrative only. They are not intended to include all duties which may be assigned, neither are they intended to exclude other duties which may be logical assignments to this class.

Participates in assigned training drills either as an individual or as a member of a group. Attends special schools or courses assigned. Reads and studies assigned material related to performance of work.

Trains for and performs firefighting and rescue tasks such as connecting, carrying, and operating hose lines, ventilating buildings, and using ladders, lines, and other equipment to aid in fighting fires or removing fire and accident victims to safety.

Administers first aid to victims of fire and accident either on the scene of an emergency or en route to the hospital.

Cleans, drys, inspects, and properly secures any assigned fire fighting equipment such as hoses, hand tools, portable breathing apparatus, ladders, or related equipment. Cleans fire vehicles.

Performs tasks necessary for the proper maintenance of station and grounds such as cleaning floors and windows, emptying trash cans, or related duties.

Performs public relations duties such as calming excited citizens at a fire scene, providing information to the public concerning the work of the fire department, conducting station tours for individuals or civic groups, or related duties.

Performs fire prevention or fire inspection tasks such as inspecting fire hydrants, sprinkler systems, or portable fire

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extinguishers, studying the district to become familiar with the location of fire plugs or water lines, enforcing fire laws, ordinances, and regulations, and related duties.

May also drive fire apparatus in special situations (after training for such) to relieve fire apparatus operators.

Performs other class related duties as assigned.

QUALIFICATION REQUIREMENTS

<u>Unless otherwise specified, all requirements must be met before application closing date.</u>

Must meet all requirements of the Municipal Fire and Police Civil Service Law, including being a citizen of the United States and of legal age.

After conditional offer of employment, but prior to beginning fire suppression training for and work in this class, must participate in and successfully complete and pass, at the designated time and place, a drug test, medical examinations and ergonomic examinations including, but not limited to, physical agility and ability and psychological screening which directly correlate to essential job duties of the position, with or without accommodation. Such tests and examinations shall be prepared and administered under the direction of the Appointing Authority and Jefferson Parish Government.

Must have a high school diploma or a valid certificate of equivalency issued by a state department of education.

Must not be less than eighteen (18) years of age.

Must possess a valid driver's license.

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